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Jno. Darracott,	Anthony Olver,
George Duddell,	Edward Collins,
George Hucksett,	John Walker,
Jno. Bearman,	Wm. Oliver,
Robt. Bayly,	Henry Browne,
Jno. Birch,	John Sanders,
Geo. Cornish,	Tho. Sickodby,
Paul Brickforde,	Marke Cullum,
George Ebbery,	Nath. Tingcombe,
Hugh Arbuthnott,	James Jollie,
Jno. Chaplin,	Robt. Read,
James Mettrain,	Tho. Bagwell,
Tho. Baker,	Edward Foy,
Edw <sup>d</sup> Tomlin,	Abr. Lewis,
Joshua Whiting,	Jno. Gilbert.

Having Rec'd from his Excl'y this petition, read and Considered ye same, wee do agree with his Exct'ys permission to Take these Ships under our Convoy according to ye Masters' Desire.

Examined &

Wil. Robertson.

Jos<sup>a</sup> Moore,

Matt. Treat,

Phillip Stanhope.

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## HENRY COUNTY

### From its Formation in 1776 to the End of the Eighteenth Century, et seq.

From the records of the clerks office, by C. B. Bryant, Martinsville, Va.

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The first court held for Henry county was on 20 April, 1778, and composed of Edmund Lyne, Abraham Penn, Peter Saunders and George Waller, Justices.

Five commissioners were appointed to view the center of the county or the most *convenientest* place thereto for fixing the courthouse.

Daniel Carlan qualified as Captain of Militia.

John Salmon qualified as Sheriff.

Matthew Small, 2nd Lieutenant under Thomas Henderson, took the oath.

May.—The commissioners made report that the land of Henry Barksdale is the most convenientest place for establishing the courthouse, and the court concurred to the same.

Commissioners appointed to let the building a courthouse, Prison, Stocks & Pillory; said Prison to be 20 feet by 16, and double logs 12 inches square, a chimney in the middle of brick or stone, a fire place in each room, shingled roof, the joyst to be covered with logs 12 inches square, a window in each room with iron grates, double doors with substantial locks. Also the courthouse 24 by 20 feet, with hewed or sawed logs, 10 feet pitch, with boarded roof planked above and below, with a pair of steps, and a Barr and benches, with a window in each side and a door in each side.

Elizabeth Cooper came into court and made oath that John Bolling, of Henry county, is the lawful heir of William Bolling, deceased, who went from the said county into the Continental service and there died.

Oct.—Hayner Morgan, Esqr., produced commission from the Governor to practise law as an attorney, & took the oath.

License granted Mordecai Hord to keep an ordinary at his home.

License granted Brice Martin to keep an ordinary at this courthouse.

Abraham Penn is appointed Lieutenant Colonel in the room of Edmund Lyne, resigned.

James Lyon is appointed Major in the room of Abraham Penn.

1779, March.—Eliphaz Shelton appointed Captain in the room of James Lyon, Stephen Lyon, first Lieut., Wm. Halbert, 2nd Lieut., & David Rogers, Ensign.

License is granted John Marr to keep an ordinary at his house.

Peter Saunders is allowed £25 for necessaries found Mary Lawrence, wife of John Lawrence, who is in the Continental service.

Thomas Smith produced a commission appointing him Captain of the Militia in this county.

John Davis produced commission appointing him 2nd Lieut. in Thomas Smith's company.

Peter Harris produced a commission appointing him Ensign in Thos. Henderson's company.

Swinfield Hill is appointed Captain of the militia in the room of Ed. Short.

Thomas Haile is appointed Captain in the room of Peter Vardeman, Thomas Jones, first Lieut., Jos. Jones, 2nd Lieut., & John Murphy, Ensign.

#### THE COUNTY LEVY IS MADE.

Dr. Tobacco

To the Clerk his annual Salary,	.	.	.	1,248
To the Sheriff	"	.	.	1,248
To Ro. Williams as act'g Atto, for Com'wlth,	.	.	.	1,248
To John Davis for one old Wolf's head,	.	.	.	100
To the Clerk for attending 7 called courts,	.	.	.	1,400
To Do. for two Record Books for Clerk's office,	.	.	.	1,600
To Do. for Press	"	"	"	1,000
To Do. for a copy of the list of Tythes,	.	.	.	400
To James Lyon for one wolf's head,	.	.	.	100
To Thomas Henderson for one wolf's head,	.	.	.	100
To Ro. Williams for attending called court,	.	.	.	200
To Do. for going after witnesses,	.	.	.	734
To the Sheriff for attending 5 called courts,	.	.	.	1,000
To John Salmon, per account,	.	.	.	610
To Henry Dillion, Jr., for guarding one day,	.	.	.	25
To John Crouch	"	2	days,	50
To John Dillion	"	3	"	75
To Anthony Smith	"	1	"	25
To John Briscoe	"	1	"	25
To George Waller	"	2	"	50
To John Pursell,	"	2	"	50
To William Dillion	"	1	"	25
To John Newman	"	1	"	25
To Stanwix Hord	"	2	"	50
To Wm. Graves for 3 Levies over paid last year,	.	.	.	48
To James Anthony	"	"	.	48

## HENRY COUNTY, VA.

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To Daniel Ross for guarding 4 days	100
To John Dickerson, per account,	2,467
To Do. for record book for Surveyor's office,	1,200
To Hezekiah Salmon for 8 days attendance,	200
To George Hairston, as per account,	3,153
To Hugh Woods for 3 young Wolves' heads,	150
To same for 7 " "	350
To Thomas Hale for 1 Tythe over paid last year,	16
To Thomas Gof for 1 Do.,	16
To James Poteat for 1 Do.,	16
To Brice Marten for 5 Do.,	80
To John Pace for 7 days guarding John Gordon,	175
To Josiah Carter for apprehending same,	100
To Daniel Richardson for damage done Horse in conveying same to Public Jail,	600
To Jos. Bradberry for damage to saddle in same,	60
To Burwell Reeves for one old wolf's head,	100
To Jos. Bradberry for 1 day as guard,	25
To Jonathan Davis 1 " "	25
To Samuel Patterson 1 " "	25
To William Ryan 1 " "	25
To William Rowland 1 " "	25
To Abraham Franklin 1 " "	25
To Brice Martin for maintaining prisoner 13 days,	500
To George Lawson guarding same 10 days,	250
To Michael Rowland maintaining same 17 days,	306
To William McCraw guarding same 1 day,	25
To Josiah Carter, " 2 days,	50
To Baines Carter, " 5 "	125
To Sam'l Monday, " 2 "	50
To John Barker " 7 "	175
To Hugh Woods for going after witnesses,	200
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To a Depositum for the use of the county,	22,198
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	12,000
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	34,198
To the Shff. 6 pr. cent for collecting 34,198,	2,051
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	36,249
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By 1,340 Tythables at 27 <sup>th</sup> Tob° pr. poll,	36,249
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George Waller & Jonn Salmon appointed to let the building of a Prison, Stocks & Pillory.

License granted John & Baldin Rowland to keep ordinary.

David Lanier is appointed to furnish Elizabeth Cooper, wife of Thomas Cooper, who is in the Continental service, with forty pounds worth of provisions, and that the same be certified to the Auditor of Public Accounts.

It appearing that Benjamin Hensley served as a Lieut. in the Virginia Batallion in the year 1760, the same is certified to the Register of the Land office.

Abraham Penn is appointed Escheator for this county.

1779, Aug.—Patrick Henry, Hugh Innes, Archilaus Hughes, Robert Hairston, Edmund Lyne, Abraham Penn, John Salmon, James Lyon, Robert Woods, Jesse Heard, Jonathan Hanby, Peter Saunders, William Tunstall, George Waller, Frederick Reeves, William Cook, Thomas Henderson, John Fontaine, Henry Lyne, John Dillard, John Marr & William Letcher are recommended to His Excellency, the Governor, as proper persons to serve in the Commission of the Peace for this county.

Abraham Penn, Esqr., is appointed Burser for this county to receive all fines & forfeitures due to the commonwealth in this county.

1779, Oct.—Ordered that Alice Blair, wife of Joseph Blair, who is in the Continental service, be allowed twelve pounds current money for her support.

Ordered that Robert Holliday be allowed thirteen pounds for necessaries found Robert Hodges, whose sons are in the Continental service.

John Wells is appointed Captain in the room of Brice Martin's company in Leatherwood, George Reynolds, first Lieut., Matthew Wells, 2d Lieut., Reuben Nance, Ensign.

License is granted Brice Martin to keep an ordinary at this court house.

Henry Lyne & Thomas Threlkild are appointed commissioners for the Grain Tax.

License granted Josiah Shaw to keep an ordinary.

License granted Mordecai Hord to keep an ordinary.

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